Disorganization and Demoralization Sweeping Through Nation Despite the Appeals of Anxious Officials of the Government

GERMANY TAKES ADVANTAGE TO OFFER SEPARATE PEACE

Socialists Send Frantic Appeal To Their Kindred In Germany Asking Them To Keep Kaiser From Striking Broken Slav Armies

PETROGRAD, May 16-Disorganization almost anarchy is growing throughout all of Russia. It has already attained such proportions that it is doubtful if it can be checked by the hastily formed and much belated "reconciliation council" which the temporary government has formed to appeal to the masses of the people as a sort of coalition cabinet. The movement among the masses has received tremendous impetus, and the people apparently fail utterly to understand or respond to the appeals which the officials of the government are making to them to stand fast against the machinations of the German secret agents.

Associated Press By Raval Radio Service)

ONDON, May 16—That the German chancellor has offered tentative terms of peace to the Bussians if the Elava will "abandon their plans of conquest" is the gist of a despatch received here yeaterday from Amesterdam. The chancellor declared to have added that if the Bussians will be reasonable "Germany will not prevent a permanent friendship between the two coustries."

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of rumors and reports that have been coming from Petrograd and the known situation of the Russian battle line this despatch is being received with more or less belief in well informed circles here, although as yet there is no official confirmation to give it color.

Berlin officially stated yesterday that the chanceller had refused to make public the terms of peace which Germany is now willing to accept. This statement was made in reply to a formal interpellation at a session of the reachstag held yesterday, in which he reachstag held yesterday, in which he was formally asked for the peace statement which has been expected for some time. He replied by asserting that the best interest of the empire would not be served by a declaration regarding peace terms," and that because of this he must decline to speak.

He did however, announce that he had, no intention of "nailing down the couples." He followed this announcement by informing the chamber that

ment by informing the chamber that an aeropiane factory at Copenick had been destroyed by flames. The failure of the chancellor to make

known the peace terms which Ger-many would be willing to accept is lumped here with the announcement lumped bere with the announcement from Copenhagen that the international Socialist conference, scheduled to be held there today, will probably be postponed as the result of dissatisfaction among the delegates. It is learned that the German independent Socialists have been refused passports by the German government and probably will not be allowed to come. Petrograd also has declined to participate in the conference, the council

icipate in the conference, the council there having voted against sending delegates, forty-one to nineteen.

Other despatches from Petrograd yesterday announced that prior to the amouncement that Miniater of War (luckley had

Guchkoff had resigned, General Brussiloff, commanding the southwestern front, and General Gourke, commanding on the western front, had asked to be relieved. Their resignations will be considered after the successor to Minis-

ter Guchkoff has been named.

The provisional government council is warning the troops against fraternizing with the Germans on the west. It says that the Germans, after defeating the western Allies, will turn sgainst Russia, seize the country, and enslave

RUSSIANS DEFEATED

(Associated Press By Navai Radio Service) CONSTANTINOPLE, Turkey, May 15—Two Russian detachments which crossed the upper Dialam River, in Mesopotamia, were driven back with heavy lesses in an engagement today.

WOMEN TO SELL BONDS

PETAIN COMMANDS IN FRANCE GERMAN SOCIALIST ARMY BILL APPROVED BY CONFEREES Victor at Verdun Succeeds Nivelle

PARIS, May 15-General Petain, ero of the successful defense of Verdun, was today appointed commander-

CONSIDERED BEFORE

By last December Generalissimo Jof-By last December Generalissimo Joffee had entirely rebuilt the official body of the French military service, had reoganized the army, and had so cantralized its component parts as to make each a perfect machine in the performance of its required functions. This was the army whose strategy, in the beginning, had forced the German retreat from the Marne and whose taction, in its most recent phase, had defeated the Germans at Verdun, Yet, it was a defensive army. was a defensive army.

Its field commander was the darling of the Republic, but in military circles, in the cabinet of ministers of state, there was a growing feeling that he should be something more. In several quarters it was thought that "Papa" Joffre's work was completed and that the nation would be better served if his superlative talents as organizer and administrator were henceforth utilized and international, as they had hitherto begu utilized by the commanders in the field.

On December 27 he was made a Marshal of France and adviser to the war council. But severel weeks before this council. But severel weeks before this an equality important question had to be first settled: Should Joffre's successor become merely the executive of the war esquely in France and subjected to parliamentary influences, as Joffre had been, although he had known how to combat them, or should the new commander have a free hand subject to win the war by the methods and through the means agreed upon by the Entente war council?

There were two candidates for the position—General Nivelle, who was willing to allow the office of commander in chief to be limited according to the first interpretation, and General Petain, who insisted on the second. For his defense of Verdun General Petain had been promoted to the com-Champagne-Argonne front, between Soissons and Verdun—where he had replaced General de Langle de Cary. General Nivelle, commander of the Third Army Gorps, had succeeded Petain at Verdun, where last fall he recovered Douaumont and Vaux by sud-

den assaulta.
Although it has since transpired that Petain's plans for an offensive

dated Frees By Naval Radio Service) declined the flattering proposal of those who determine matters of policy in France.

How much power he demanded due, was today appointed commander not made clear. It may have been the mehief of all the French armies operations appreciate command of all the allied ing on the French front.

General Nivelle has been changed, armies in their several fields of activity.

Or it may have been that Petain felt that to gain the end he sought—victory for the allied cause—he should have not only command of the armies in France, but control over the resources of the armies in their several fields of activity but control over the resources of the nation. Perhaps, it is suggested, Petain may have insisted that all armies and all resources should be placed in his charge by the allied governments.

Nivelle, with the perfect and stantly augmenting military machine be-queathed to him by "Papa" Joffre, has scrupulously carried out the plans of the war council, in perfect accord with the British commander, Field Marshal Haig. for driving the Germans from France by the route they had come. But accommands meanwhile have been given to Petain on the Champagne-Argonn the nation would be petter series and front, for putting into execution the administrator were henceforth utilized plans he had laid before the war council last November for defeating this German armies before they could retire One reason is said to be that these plans go beyond Petain's jurisdiction. concern the front in the Meuse, Menthe et Moselle, and the Vosges-Verdun, the Wouvre, and Monta Mousson, whose guns for over two years have silently mmanded the German fortifications of Metz.

Petain's fame, meanwhile, had bee allowed to begin and end with the de nse of Verdun, although those wh knew the history of that defense February to June, 1916-from the time he utilized the greatest military trap of eral Sarrail for annihilating an invading army proceeding to the permanen fortifications of the place, until he was ready to assume the offensive on the right bank of the Meuse, where not dis-placed to let his genius slumber with the imposed inaction of the armies of the

Le Matin, as far back as May 10 1916, had already revealed the first steps in the defense of Verdun in February. An order, it is said, had been received from Paris from General de Castelnau, who then commanded at Verdun, to evacuate the right bank of the Meuse. The order was received by Petain in the absence of de Castelnau, Petain remained passive until de den assaults.

Although it has since transpired that Petain's plans for an offensive soutributed to his rejection as commander-in-chief, on the eve of the Nivelle appointment the situation was authoritatively set forth as follows:

"After some discussion, however, General Petain, it is understood, has

(Associated Press By Naval Radio Service) WASHINGTON, May 16—All rec-ords for large appropriations by con-gress were broken yesterday when the senate finance committee reported out the war army and navy deficiency bills, carrying \$3,390,946,000.

The bill includes \$400,000,000 for the construction or purchase of a merchant marine, \$25,000,000 for army machine

guns, \$35,000,000 for heavy ordnauce and \$1,000,000 for the support of Ger-man interned by the United States.

The bill will be given the right of way in the senate where it will go to day if the legislature schedule is fol

The house will probably vote on the war tax bill by tomorrow at latest, according to a statement made by Repre sentative Claude Kitchin, Democratic

A score of witnesses have appeared before the senate finance committee, which is considering the bill by which the government proposes to raise \$1,800,000,000, and declared that if it uid be enacted into law in its present form, many industries would be

Among those which it was declared would suffer most severely are the cof fee and ten industries, insurance busi ness, advertising, automobile manufac-turing and selling, dealers in musical in-struments, moving picture interests jewelers and drug dealers.

Representatives of the bill posters

and traction advertising companies pro-tested against their business being taxed and newspapers and magazines being exempted so far as advertising is

ASKS PAPERS TO AID

eciated Press By Naval Radio Service) BUDAPEST, Hungary, May 16—The Hungarian Society of Journalists has decided to ask the journalists of all other countries to sall a congress at some neutral capital to discuss peace.

ASKS MORE POWER

(Associated Press By Waval Radio Service) WASHINGTON, May 16—President Wilson has asked congress for the authority to determine preference on the shipment of commodities abroad.

NOW IS THE TIME.

For rheumatism you will find nothing better than Chamberlain's Pain Balm. Now is the time to get rid of it. Try (Associated Press By Naval Eadio Service) this liniment and see how quickly it BERKELEY, California, May 16—

(Associated Press By Naval Badio Service) duced in the house of commons an elec-toral reform bill, containing a provi-sion for restricted female suffrage. It

WIFE CLINGS TO HER HUSBAND IN PRISON

Associated Press By Naval Radio Service) RED OAK, Iowa, May 16-Rev. J. Kelly, who with Rev. Lynn George, was arrested here Monday on a charge of being implicated in the famous "Villismurders of June 9, 1912, had his preliminary hearing yesterday and entered a plea of not guilty. Kelly's wife is staying with him in jail.

SLAV SOCIALISTS WARN BROTHERS IN GERMANY

(Associated Press By Naval Radio Service) PETROGRAD, May 15—The council that is in charge of the affairs of the new republic of Russia issued an appeal yesterday to the Socialists of Germany to prevent their troops being hurled upon the western front in order to crush France and then to dash upon Russia. The council warned the Ger-man Socialists that this plan of the kaiser's was bound to fail and could to the Socialists of that country.

FIRE IN NAVY YARD

(Associated Press By Naval Radio Service) NEW YORK, May 16—Fire started lev some cause as yet unassertained by the authorities, broke out in the supply department building of the Brooklyr may yard yesterday afternoon. The lars. Pew details have been allowed to become known.

WINS SCHOLARSHIP

(Associated Press By Naval Radio Service)

WASHINGTON, May 16—Secretary this liniment and see how quickly it McAdoo announced last night the formation of the "Woman's Liberty Bond sale by all dealers. Benson, Smith & Sale Committee," which will work to Co., agents for Hawaii.—Advertise increase subscriptions for the issue.

A sensational report gained currency here extends that early in April he BERKELEY, California, May 16—British captured an entire flotilla of Gevevive Taggard of Honolulu has been awarded the Joseph Bonneheim Memorial scholarship at the University of California.

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TEUTONIC REPUBLIC

Herr Ledebour Declares Before Reichstag That It Is Impossible For Empire To Win War of Subjugation and Says Monarohy Must Soon Fall

(Associated From By Naval Radio Service) BERLIN, May 16-Definite steps toward making Germany a republic, followed in the wake of Russia, are being Ledebour, the famous Socialist lender, there may be no delay in enrolling and told the reichstag yesterday that it is classifying millions of men for army impossible for Germany to win a war of subjugation. He then went farther made to place the whole task in the hands of civilian officials of the States and expressed the arm conviction as and to remove every suggestion or min-revolution must come in Germany as and to remove every suggestion or min-terior cecently in Russia and that the tary forces in putting the measure in-touse of Hohenzollera must fall before to effect. The only function of the federal government will be supervision federal government will be provost may the people as the house of Romonoff fell in Russia. Ledebour concluded his sensational

peech with the statement:

"I shall propose a constitutional committee to take preparatory steps in

KING GEORGE VISITS **AMERICAN GUN CREW**

Talks To Lieutenant In Command of Guard On American Steamer

clated Press By Naval Radio Service) LIVERPOOL, May 16-King George visited yesterday an American liner which is in port here and inspected her gun crew, the liner, like all others sail-ing from Americans ports now, being armed with three inch guns for protections against German submarines. conversed for some time with Lieutenant L. H. Stanton Hazard, who is in command of the gun crew.

(Mail Special to The Advertiser) By ERNEST G. WALKER.

WASHINGTON, May 6-The present surely no time for political considerations at Washington, and polities do not seem to be very much in mind. A Lew weeks ago almost every issue of the local newspapers had something Hampshire congressional district, be ceft by the sudden taking off of Representative Cyrus Adams Sulloway, "the Tall Pine." A Republican district, to be sure, and normally to be depended upon to elect a Republican into the late

Sulloway's shoes. But in the face the slogan to "stand by the President" LONDON, May 15 — Waiter Long. elect a Democrat and thus cinch Demo secretary for the colonies, today intro- gratic control of the national house sion for restricted female suffrage. It would give the vote to women of the age of thirty or over. The Democrats appear to be pretty thoroughly in the saddle, as far as or

ganization matters are concerned.

On the other hand, disappointing word comes from southern New Hamp shire that the patriotic first district i more aroused over the rum question than over standing by the President or deciding political control in the national house. For the prohibition question has been injected into political mentalities in that quarter and, as us ually happens in such cases, is dominat ug the general interest. A few repre sentatives in congress have been re-

district campaign.

Incidentally it might be mentioned that senate and house are simply inundated with petitions for "prohibition during the war." Prohibition commun ities and States have apparently beer organized to smother senators and rep resentatives under an avalanche, and prohibition advocates are decidedly on

One great big objection to "prohibi tion during the war'' is the revenue end. It is no joke that the ways and means committee of the house is having a most perplexing task to "find the money" in framing the enormous revenue bill. Of course much more than \$2,000,000,000 could be raised from tax ation in one year in the United States. but result in disaster to Germany and but even with the patriotic attitude of the people just now, there is a limit to the taxation that will be borne without resentment. The ways and means members feel they are going just about us far now as they can safely go and would not know quite which way to turn if they had to begin immediately to raise several hundred million more to supply the deficiency caused by prohibiting the manufacture and sale of intoxicants.

DIVER FLOTILLA REPORTED CAPTURED BY BRITISH NAVY

Associated Press By Naval Radio Service PORTSMOUTH, England, May 16sensational report gained currency

LEADER PLANNING Measure Will Become Law In Few Days

(Associated Press By Naval Radio Service) of age, inclusive, are to be registered, WASHINGTON, May 15—The conferees on the army bill today all agreed to report out the optional provision suthorizing the President to raise the Roosevelt Volunteers."

The senate today passed the house bill increasing the enlisted strength of the navy to 150,000 and marines to 50,-000 and granting increased pay to enlisted men in the navy.

An official outline of the method by which military registration is to be carried out under a selective conscription bill has been made public with an appeal from the war department for the voluntary services of State elective constraints, and mayors on the actual after the President's proclimation.

The mayor of a city containing more than thirty thousand inhabitants, of the voluntary services of State elections and other containing more than thirty thousand inhabitants, of the voluntary services of the city contains the provided of the containing more than thirty thousand inhabitants, and mayors on the actual as after the President's proclimation. openly advocated in the reichstag. Herr tion and other officials in order that through the office of the provost mar-shal general. The department's state-ment which the war department asked all papers to give wide publicity fol-

All Must Register

miversal liability to service the execuion of the law is put into the hands
of the people.

"The approval of the new National
Army Bill and the President's proclamition thereunder will be coincidental.
All persons within the age limits presiribed will be required to present themselves for registration at the customiry voting place in the voting precinct
in which they have their permanent
iomes, on a day which the President
will announce. The probability is The probability is

that from ten to fifteen days will chapse between approval of the bill and registration day.

"The governor of each State will be he chief of registration therein. The nachinery of registration in each coun-y is to be in charge of the sheriff, the ounty clerk and the county physician, teting ex-officio, unless a different sor: In cities containing populations of more than 30,000 the registration will be under the control of the mayor. and selected boards of registration. In order that the designated county and ity officials, and the people generally an get a clear understanding of the cosus methods the following brief out-

ine is gives.

Precinct Official Appointed

"The sheriffs or other designated officials, immediately upon receiving totice from the governor, shall appoint egistrars for each voting precinct.

The proportion of registrars shall see one for each 170 persons to be registered. Each age to be registered wil

vices of competent volunteer registrars to serve without compensation

All registrars must be sworn.

'The voting place in each precinct must be prepared for registration. Full printed instruction covering every detail of registration will be in the hands of sheriffs and mayors on the fifth day

the Governor, appoint for each ward or tenyeniest minor, sub-division contain-ing about thirty thousand people one registration board and shall designate one officer of each board to perform duties similar to those imposed on the sheriff, as heretofore outlined. If the mayor desires he may appoint a central board to coordinate the work of GREEKS ON MACEDONIAN minor boards.

dent has issued his proclamation, clerks of counties and cities of over 30,000 must secure a supply of blanks and copies of the registration regulations from the sheriff or from the mayor. "There was a time in the country's listory when military enumerators, backed by bayonets, went out among the people to take a compulsory service cause. Today under the principle of miversal liability to service the execution of the law is put into the hands of the people.

"The approval of the new National Army Bill and the President's proclamation thereunder will be coincidental.

Persons absent from their home countries may be registered by mail. If so absent, a man should go to the clerk of the county where he may be staying on the sixth day after the date of the President's proclamation. If he is in a city of ever 30,000 population, the city clerk is the official to whom to apply. The absentee will be told how to register but he saust mail his card in time to reach his precinct by registra-

tion day. "Persons too sick to present then selves for registration must send a cor petent person to the county or city

proclamation complete regulations will be in the hands of all sheriffs and of the officials of cities of over 30,000 pop-

omprise about one per cent of the "The President is authorized to call upon all public officers to assist in the execution of the law."

ON THEFT CHARGE

SAN FRANCISCO, May 16-Collecor of Internal Revenue J. J. Scott and his brother Clyde, who was his former chief deputy, were indicted here yester-lay by the federal grand jury on barges of embezzlement of govern-

ment property.

The collector and his brother were oth suspended from office April 17 in onnection with the theft of \$8300 worth of internal revenue wine stamps and \$2,000 in cash. Some time after-ward a part of the stamps were found m one of the wharves of the city. The indictment against Scott con-ains twenty counts; that against lyde Scott contains six. Bail in the ase of each of the men was fixed at 35000. They surrendered themselves

and were then released. Collector Scott declares that the harges against himself and his broth-er are absurd and that they are both

SUBMARINE CAMPAIGN IS LOSING STRENGTH

Associated Press By Naval Radio Service) LONDON, May 16—The reports of mans are now operating about 325 sub-the ships lost through the ruthless sub-marine campaign of the Germans cov-This newspaper says that nearly a hun-

WOULD FORBID FOOD SPECULATION PRESIDENT ASSURED

(Associated Press By Naval Badio Service)
WASHINGTON, May 16—Representative J. A. Sabath, of Chicago, has introduced a bill prohibiting all speculation in food products during the duration of the war.

AN IMPROVED QUININE DOES NOT AFFECT THE HEAD

Because of its tonic and lazzive effect. LAXATIVE BROMO QUININE will be found better than ordinary Quinine. Does not cause nervousness, nor ringing in the head. Re-member, there is only one "Bromo Qui alue." The signature of E. W. Grove is on car.

LIEUTENANT EBERTS

Death With His Aeroplane

(Associated Press By Maval Radio Service) EL PASO, Texas, May 16-First Lieut. Mclchior McE. Eberts, Signal Corps, stationed at the San Diego aviation school, was instantly killed yesterday at Columbus, New Mexico, when the aeroplane in which he was flying fell to the ground. Capt. James L. Dunworth, coast artillery, stationed at Columbus, who was acting as pilot of the aeroplane, was badly injured but will recover. but will recover.

HUNDRED DIVERS SNARED BY ALLIES

Dutch Paper Says 325 Are Being Operated

(Associated Press By Navai Radio Service) AMSTERDAM, May 15 - The Gerring the sinkings of the last week, show that conditions have been more favorable for the Allies than for some weeks past, fewer ships having been member of the crew of the U-58, which sent to the bottom by the enemy.

This newspaper says that nearly a hundred of the German divers have been caught in nets stretched by the Allies. HAWAII DESPERADO sank Dutch grain ships in February. In this interview the statement is made that the submarines assemble daily and the statement is made that the submarines assemble daily and the statement is made that the submarines assemble daily and the statement is made that the submarines assemble daily and the statement is made that the submarines assemble daily and the statement is made that the submarines assemble daily and the statement is made that the submarines assemble daily and the statement is made that the submarines assemble daily and the statement is made that the submarines assemble daily and the statement is made that the submarines assemble daily and the statement is made that the submarines assemble daily and the statement is made that the submarines assemble daily and the statement is made that the submarines assemble daily and the statement is made that the submarines assemble daily and the statement is made that the submarines assemble daily and the statement is made that the submarines assemble daily and the statement is made that the submarines assemble daily and the statement is made that the submarines assemble daily and the statement is made that the submarines assemble daily and the statement is made that the submarines assemble as the statement is made that the submarines assemble as the statement is made that the submarines assemble as the statement is made that the submarines assemble as the statement is made that the submarines assemble as the statement is made that the submarines as the statement is made that the sub receive wireless instructions from the German admiralty.

(Associated Press By Naval Radio Service) WASHINGTON, May 15-President Wilson addressed the British labor delegates today, and officials of the American Federation of Labor, when they visited the White House. He expressed hopes that the standards set for labor through legislative effort would not be

lowered in consequene of the war. ministration at this time.

Succeed In Driving British Out of Advanced Positions At Bullecourt and Gain Some Ground from French On River Aisne

FRONT BEAT BACK FOES

Paris Reports That They Gained Fifteen Hundred Yards of Positions From the Enemy Despite Their Bitter Counter Assaults

(Associated Press By Naval Radio Service) NEW YORK, May 16-The desperate fighting that has been raging around the town of Bullecourt continued yesterday with unabated fury, the Germans attacking fiercely, frantically in a vain effort to thrust the British from their positions astride of the Hindenburg line at this point and win back the vital ground they lost two weeks ago.

Attack after attack was hurled at the British lines, beginning early yesterday morning and continuing of the proclamation. The elerk will give instructions for registration.

"Officials of education, charitable and other institutions should apply for instructions to the county or city elerk on the aixth day after the date of the proclamation for lateractions as to a convenient method to registration.

"The wardens of jails, penitectiaries and reformatories should apply to the nounty or city clerk for instructions on the sixth day.

"Five days after the date of the proclamation complete regulations will lines." early yesterday morning and con-

The fourth attack succeeded in part, for the Germans took about one hundred yards of trenches in the eastern of the village and driving the British back into the western side.

Italy has launched a new offensive on a broad front against the Austrians, after months of inactivity during which the lines were merely held, according to reports from Rome yesterday.

Signal Corps Officer Drops To tary headquarters that considerable progress has been made by the Italians on the Plava area, and on the slopes of Monte Cucco hills, east of Gorizia, where fighting was left off last fall, Progress has also been made near Vertoibizza. The Italians furthermore made a thrust on the northern sector of Carso plateau and reached the wrecked lines of the enemy east of Dossolaiti, tak-

ing many prisoners. Paris reported that the Greek troops under the command of General Sarrail had attacked the enemy in the Macedonian front and had made marked gains on a wide front, They captured two works and fifteen hundred yards of trenches despite heavy counter

attacks. Berlin claims to have been successful in attacks against the French on the Asine, and also to have captured the French position at Sainte Berthe farm, Elsewhere they were repulsed.

FACES MURDER CHARGE

(Mail Special to The Advertiser)

HILO, May 14-Murder in the first degree will now be the charge against Antone Garcia, the Filipino who shot OF LABOR SUPPORT and wounded Engineer W. W. Western to Western to

When the news was conveyed to Judge Quinn by Deputy Sheriff Richard he at once issued a call for the grand jury, which will meet Thursday morning to consider this case and also owered in consequence of the war.

President Compers of the federation assured him that labor supports the additional follows the rold blooded shooting of wescoatt and Takeuchi.